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SUBJECT: TASS ANNOUNCEMENT ON TTBT

1. THE TASS ANNOUNCEMENT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE THRESHHOLD TEST BAN WAS CARRIED IN PRAVDA APRIL 2 AND ON THE TASS ENGLISH WIRE APRIL 1 AT 2023 HOURS MOSCOW TIME.

2. THE TEXT OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE TASS TRANSLATION IS AS FOLLOWS: BEGIN TEXT. AS IS KNOWN, THE TREATY BETWEEN THE USSR AND THE USA ON LIMITATION OF UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS THAT WAS SIGNED IN MOSCOW ON JULY 3, 1974, ENVISAGES THAT FROM MARCH 31, 1976, THE SIDES WILL DESIST FROM MAKING SUCH TESTS ABOVE A CERTAIN YIELD.

THE SOVIET-AMERICAN TALKS TO CONCLUDE AN AGREEMENT CONCERNING PEACEFUL UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR BLASTS ARE UNDERWAY NOW, AND IN THIS CONNECTION THE AFOREMENTIONED TREATY HAS NOT RPT NOT YET COME INTO EFFECT.

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT, HOWEVER, THE GREAT SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TREATY ON LIMITATION OF UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS AS A PRACTICAL STEP TOWARD COMPLETE ENDING OF SUCH TESTS AND BEING AWARE OF A CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS

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ACHIEVED IN THE PREPARATION OF AN AGREEMENT ON PEACEFUL NUCLEAR BLASTS, THE SOVIET UNION DOES NOT RPT

NOT INTEND TO TAKE ANY ACTIONS INCOMPATIBLE  
WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE TREATY, ON THE UNDERSTANDING  
THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL ACT IN THE SAME WAY.

AT THE SAME TIME, IT IS HOPED THAT MUTUAL ENERGETIC EFFORTS  
WILL BE APPLIED FOR THE SPEEDIEST CONCLUSION OF THE  
AGREEMENT ON PEACEFUL UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR BLASTS AND  
FOR PUTTING INTO EFFECT OF THE TREATY OF JULY 3, 1974.  
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